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Sir:

In reply to the April 24, 2002 Final Office Action,
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amendment in the above-identified patent application:

In the Claims

please cancel claims 2, 6, 8, 11-19, 21, 22, 26,
28, 31-44, 50, and 52 without prejudice.

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